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THE SENATE
COMMITTEE ON LOCAL, URBAN
AND STATE AFFAIRS

SENATOR
GERALD VAN WOERKOM
CHAIRMAN

Minutes of the Senate Local, Urban & State Affairs Committee
Tuesday, June 9, 2009
3:00 p.m.
Room 110 of the Farnum Building

Chairman Van Woerkom called the meeting to order at 3:10 p.m.

Members present: Senators Van Woerkom, Birkholz, Gleason and Basham.

Senator Birkholz motioned to approve the minutes from April 28, 2009 and the motion was supported by Senator Gleason. The minutes from April 28, 2009 were approved.

Chairman Van Woerkom invited Rep. Ball to introduce House Bill 4184.

Rep. Ball invited Larry Steckelberg, Legislative Liaison from the Michigan Department of Treasury to discuss the bill as well.

Rep. Ball spoke about the need to bring into statute the practice of the last 20 years and allow certified public accountants to perform audits to satisfy the Dept. of Treasury's requirements.

Chairman Van Woerkom invited Sen. Garcia to introduce Senate Bill 215.

Sen. Garcia spoke about the Hispanic/Latino Commission of Michigan and the need to bring the commission into compliance with the Michigan Constitution.

Sen. Garcia indicated his support for the S-3 substitute for Senate Bill 215.

Chairman Van Woerkom read the names of those who did not wish to speak on SB 215, but wished to have their opinion stated.

Those who supported SB 215 were:

- Tom Martin, Michigan Department of Energy, Labor, and Economic Growth.

Senator Allen arrived at 3:20 p.m.

Senator Gleason moved to report out House Bill 4184 with support from Senator Birkholz. HB 4184 passed favorably, 5-0. Senator Gleason motioned to report out HB 4184 with immediate effect with support from Senator Birkholz. HB 4184 was reported favorably, 5-0, with immediate effect.

Sen. Birkholz moved to adopt the S-3 Substitute for Senate Bill 215 with support from Sen. Allen. The substitute was adopted 5-0.

Senator Allen moved to report out SB 215 (S-3) with support from Senator Birkholz. SB 215 passed favorably, 5-0. Senator Allen motioned to report out SB 215 (S-3) with immediate effect with support from Senator Birkholz. SB 215 (S-3) was reported favorably, 5-0, with immediate effect.

Senator Allen motioned for adjournment with no objection.
Chairman Van Woerkom adjourned the committee at 3:25 p.m.